***Statement-II***

*Flyovers proposed to be constructed in various States during current year*

| Sl No. | State/UT | Flyovers proposed to be taken up on non NHDP for construction during current financial year 2005-06 | Flyovers proposed to be constructed during 2005-06 under NHDP |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | Nil | 1 |
| 2 | Bihar | Nil | 5 |
| 3 | Delhi | Nil | 4 |
| 4 | Haryana | Nil | 7 |
| 5 | Jammu & Kashmir | 1 | Nil |
| 6 | Karnataka | 1 | 12 |
| 7 | Maharashtra | Nil | 2 |
| 8 | Orissa | Nil | 4 |
| 9 | Uttar Pradesh | Nil | 11 |
| 10 | West Bengal | Nil | 2 |
| | TOTAL: | 2 | 48 |

**Delay in Golden Quadrilateral Project**

477. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the Golden Quadrilateral Project initiated by the NDA Government for linking four metros and some other major cities;

(b) whether there have been heavy time overrun and cost of this project due to some major bottlenecks;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken to remove the same and ensure early completion of the Project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) to (c) 4/6 laning of 84% of Golden Quadrilateral has been completed as on 30.06.2005. There has been some delays in some of the contracts

pertaining to Golden Quadrilateral Project. However, it is expected that the projects would be substantially completed by December 2005. It is also estimated that the actual expenditure on the project will not differ much from the estimated cost, allowing for escalation.

(d) The steps taken to expedite the project are given in Statement.

***Statement***

*Steps taken by the Government to expedite the completion of the Golden Quadrilateral*

(a) The Contracts are regularly monitored at various levels such as by Supervision Consultants/Independent Engineers, Project Directors, National Highways Authority of India officials at Headquarters.

(b) State Governments have appointed Senior officers as nodal officers for resolving problems associated with implementation of the National Highways Development Project such as land acquisition, removal of utilities, forest/pollution/environment clearances etc.

(c) A Committee of Secretaries has been constituted to address inter-ministerial and Central-States issues such as land acquisition, utility shifting, environment approvals, clearance of Road Over Bridges etc.

(d) To expedite the construction of Road Over Bridges, an officer of the Railways has been posted to National Highways Authority of India to coordinate with Railways. Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with M/s IRCON International Limited.

**Effects of import of goods on SSIs**

478. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Small Scale Industries in the country are put to hardship due to indiscriminate import of goods especially from some Asian countries; and

(b) if so, the steps that have been taken to mitigate their hardship?